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WILLIAM S. OTT, Secretary.

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jan31 tf WM. DENNY.

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MUSICAL.

HERR HEINRICH BORRER,
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From Montreal, has arrived, and will remain, for a permanency, in Victoria. For terms, etc., address Hotel Driard, where he may be seen daily. dec 23

MARINE.

The ship Rosie Welt, 1435 tons, has been chartered by John Rosenfeld to load coal at Nanaimo for San Francisco.

The steamer Alki is expected at Nanaimo to take on a cargo of coal for use at the Treadwell mine, Alaska. Capt. George will pilot her up.

The bark Woodlark, 295 days from Hamburg to San Francisco, arrived at the latter port on the 6th inst., and had amongst her cargo 150 casks of cherry juice to be used in adulterating California wines. This is a new departure in the wine business.

The British bark Madeira, lumber laden from Tacoma to Buenos Ayres, collided with the Argentine bark Peacemaker at Buenos Ayres, on the 4th inst. Both vessels were considerably damaged.

In the past six months twenty-three sail and steam vessels in the Pacific coast trade have been wrecked. The list begins with the bark W. H. Besse, which was lost July 23d on Columbia river. The aggregate loss from all disasters is not far from $3,000,000.

The captain of the wrecked bark Austria makes a serious charge against the officers of the Mexico. He says that the steamship sailed so close to the wreck that he could see men on her decks, but they paid no attention to the signals of distress. It will be remembered that the officers of the Mexico on their arrival reported seeing the wreck.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Mr. E. Johnson, S. M.)

Ah Chung, on remand, charged with assaulting Wm. Smith with intent to do grievous bodily harm, was remanded for one day.

The Irish judges have refused to transfer the trial of the Mann against John Dillon to the Court of Queen's Bench.

A despatch from Berlin to the London Standard says: "Relations between Germany and France is extreme and a solution must come very shortly."

OUR MINING INDUSTRY

Favorable Report by the Minister of Mines

Showing an Increased Output—Encouraging Prospects.

The Minister of Mines submitted his annual report to the Assembly on Monday afternoon. It shows a decided improvement in the gold yield in several districts. The value of gold exported by the banks during 1886 is given as follows: Bank of British Columbia, $374,308; Bank of British North America, $48,518; Garesche, Green & Co., $330,127; total, $753,043, or an excess of $160,000 over 1885. Adding one-fifth for the gold exported privately, the total yield is set down at $900,000, which is over one hundred thousand dollars in excess of the highest yield for the three preceding years.

CARIBOO.

Mr. John Bowron, Richfield, reports that in alluvial mining there is little worthy of mention. A remarkably dry season and a further decrease in the mining population has had the effect of diminishing the yield, but in proportion to the number engaged the product is not less than in 1885. There is a decrease in the number of Chinese. On Williams Creek and its tributaries the output has been nearly equal to that of the Forest Rose Co. has reached bed rock and obtained very good pay; no doubt it will yield good returns for the next 15 or 20 years. The Nason Co. has not yet succeeded in getting into their claim, owing to the pressure of the water. They will put up a saw mill and cut timber for a flume, which they will put down for a considerable distance above and below their shaft. On Cunningham Creek, Chinese made a fortunate strike in the hill, four men taking out from $20 to $30 per day to the hand. The discovery, however, is not considered to be of importance. What may prove an important discovery was made late in the season about eighty miles to the northeast of Barkerville by George Isaacs, Robert Buchanan, Arthur Johnson, K. McLeod and N. Wilson. If the report is confirmed by an actual working test, a rush in that direction will take place before another year has passed. The region referred to is most probably the source from which the bars on the upper Fraser derived their deposits. The yield for the district is thus estimated: Barkerville, $90,000; Lightning, $54,000; Quesnellemouth, $45,500; Keithley, $62,000; amount from time statistics were collected, $15,000; amount of which no account was obtainable, $15,000. Reference is made to the quartz mines, which is looking up, some sixty odd locations having been recorded within the last three months. Mr. Wm. Craib reported to Mr. Bowron: "I have been but a short time here, but up to the present I have made 22 assays of ore from different leads, the lowest $27 and the highest $75.23; average of the total, $46.20. The assays were from pulp taken from crushing of four to six pounds. There is from 30 to 50 per cent of sulphurets in most of the quartz of the district.

Mr. W. Stephenson reports the season at Keithley and Williams' Lake as an unusually dry one, and the yield about the same as last year.

CASSIAR.

Mr. Crimp reports an increase in the product over last year, and but for the continued rains the increase would have been larger. On Dease Creek the increase was the largest. The white men have been working in the hills, and some of them have done well. The yield has been: Lakelse, $41,450; McDame, $22,150. Three white men, Messrs. Hilton, Sansbury and Beedy, prospected Medly River, 90 miles east of Sylvester's Landing. The bars were covered; but on one occasion two of them rocked out $100 in one day and on another one man rocked out $140 in seven days. The gold was fine and had to be saved with quicksilver. Mr. Crimp recommends an appropriation to assist three or four men to prospect this district. The number of men wintering in the mining portion of the district is twenty-nine white and about seventy Chinamen.

ARIZONA.

Mr. A. Graham reports an unfavorable season at Lorne Creek, where the high water seriously retarded operations. Two streams in the Upper Skeena, and one near Kishagas are believed to contain gold in paying quantities.

KOOTENAY.

Mr. G. M. Sproat says the Big Bend district was not opened practically, until August, so that it would not be correct to speak of a season's mining in the usual sense. The outlook is good and miners are pleased with the prospects. In this sub-division there are recorded 58 placer and 77 mineral claims. Beyond work necessary to hold the claims, quartz mining is at a standstill. The region is practically unprospected. Placer mining has made great progress, although the product is not large. Work is being carried on at Carne's, McCullough and French creeks, and there is plenty of untried ground. On Carne's, one company on shallow bedrock made $8 to $10 per day to a man and occasionally three times that. On French Creek equally favorable results have been secured. On McCullough Creek one company has a tunnel 1000 feet in length and bedrock has not yet been reached. In the Illecillewaet division sixty mineral claims have been recorded, mostly silver-bearing rock. Considerable quantities of ore has been sent to England and different parts of the States. A copy of an assay of ores from a group of these veins made by an American capitalist who proposes to return in the spring, gave the following results in silver to the ton: $125.25, $175.83, $34.00, $50, $84.08, $60.08, $59, $699, $41.68 and $384.77.

Mr. Vowell reports that owing to the great drought the hydraulic claims on Wild Horse Creek could not be worked to advantage. The total yield of the South Kootenay division, amounts to $20,000, which would have been doubled had the season been favorable. No discoveries of placer mines have been made. On Findlay Creek, Cockrane & Brady have built a house, constructed an extensive ditch, erected a sawmill, and procured hydraulic pipes, a giant, etc., and will be in full operation next season.

LILLOOET.

Mr. Sous reports the product of this district as $132,000, which is a large increase. Of this amount $57,900 is reported by Mr. A. W. Smith, and is from Bridge River, Cayoosh Creek and the Fraser. On Cayoosh, the Chinese have recorded 190 claims and white miners 16. This creek is within an hour's walk of Lillooet, and has been passed by for a quarter of a century. Full information is furnished of the work done on the Big Slide mine, in which the greatest confidence is expressed, as well as in the quartz resources of the district. Messrs. Ward and Gould's report of their prospecting expeditions is included, and show that the district is full of valuable quartz ledges. The report of Mr. Henderson on the Big Slide mine is, showing eighteen assays also published.

YALE.

Mr. Wm. Dodd reports the yield of Scotch Creek as $22,000. Thirty quartz claims have been located at Stump Lake. Mr. Beeton, of London, has succeeded in inducing English capitalists to invest in some of these mines.

OKANAGAN.

Mr. W. Deadman reports a revival on Cherry creek, prospecting on Keith's river and favorable returns from Mouashee quartz ledge.

SIMILKAMEEN.

Mr. Tunstall gives the yield of Similkameen district as $203,000. Granite creek has paid from $3 to $20 per day to the man. One hundred white men and one hundred and fifty Chinese are wintering in the mines.

COAL.

The output of coal was 326,636, a decrease of about 40,000 tons from 1885.

MEN EMPLOYED.

Throughout the whole province 1080 whites and 2067 Chinese and Indians were directly employed in the mines.

A SON'S LOVE OF GOLD.

A Horrible and Revolting Story—A Chicago Millionaire

Is Eaten Alive in Canada—Enticed From Home by His Son.

Many of THE TIMES readers are familiar with the northern part of the County of Bruce and the western portion of the County of Grey, Ont. Port Elgin is a smart bustling town a couple of miles inland from the Lake Huron shore. The village or rather post-office of Burgoyne is situated on the Southampton and Owen Sound road, some 12 miles from Port Elgin. These places are said to have been the scene of the following revolting affair, which, according to our latest Ontario exchanges, the provincial detectives have deemed of such an inhuman nature that they are working up the case. It appears that about two years ago all Chicago was startled by the mysterious disappearance of Richard B. Webster,

A WELL KNOWN MILLIONAIRE.

Nothing more was known of him there until early in January last, when his body was brought to Chicago for burial by his son, Wm. Webster. Mr. Webster, sr., married when young, and the boy Wm. was the son of the first wife, who died several years after he was born. Mr. Webster married again, a young and handsome woman, and the son, it is said, feared that at his father's death the father would leave the bulk of his property to her. The allegation is that this is why the son enticed his father away, and held him until he was glad to either make a will or sign papers transferring his property to the son. That this impression is held in Chicago is evidenced by the fact that a civil suit is being brought up by the friends of the second wife to test the validity of the transfer papers which young Webster is said to have wrung from his father. It is stated that the old man was enticed away from home while under the influence of liquor. Six or seven months ago the old man turned up in Burgoyne, a settlement several miles from Port Elgin. Here he was placed by his son in charge of a hotel keeper named Keays. Keays kept the only hotel there, in fact he was about the whole settlement in himself, for there was only a few houses built up about his imposing hostelry. A strict watch was kept upon the old man, and Keays seemingly treated him well. Mr. Webster was continually begging of them to let him go home to his wife and family, but this was refused him. On one occasion he escaped from the vigilant guard, and in his anxiety to get away he strayed into the woods and was lost. The people in the village and the surrounding neighborhood turned out to search for him, and after about three days he was found lying beneath a tree so weak and exhausted that he was unable to rise. In the meantime Keays had telegraphed the sad word of his father's disappearance, and the son came on to Burgoyne at once. Shortly after his arrival, father and son left Burgoyne, and it has not yet been ascertained where they went. On their leaving the son told Keays that the old man had signed over all his property to him. He asked Keays to get a man to take charge of the father—to do nothing else than watch him, and see that he did not escape again. Keays secured a man named Raymond, and the son left for Chicago. Keays was getting $70 a month for taking charge of Webster, and out of this he paid Raymond some small sum for watching him. The old man is said to have been neglected and half-starved. He became emaciated and so weak he could not walk. Towards the end of December Keays sold his hotel to a man named Kelly. Mrs. Kelly, seeing

THE TERRIBLE STATE

of the old man and his room, complained to Raymond frequently that Webster was not being properly treated, and said he was used shamefully. She gave him some sago pudding one day, and while the old man was eating it Raymond came in and told her she had no right to give him anything, it being against the doctor's orders. A few days after this the doctor denied that he had given any such instructions. Mrs. Kelly did all she could for the unfortunate man, but her assistance came too late, and on the 30th December he died. His room was in such a horribly filthy state that people were afraid to go in, and it was with the utmost difficulty than any one could be induced to perform the last sad offices for the dead millionaire. A Mr. Haines, who was boarding at the hotel, at last came to Mrs. Kelly's assistance, and they lifted the old man from the bed to the floor. It was then they noticed that the sheets were besmeared with blood. With a pair of scissors Haines cut open the dead man's shirt and undershirt. They were in a condition of filth too horrible to describe, and Haines was horrified to see the dead man's breast literally alive with maggots, and on his right side, which was a little paralyzed, a large hole was eaten in. This part of the story is almost too incredible for belief. When the maggots in the side were brushed out a stream of blood flowed from the body, and the blood and the size of the hole showed conclusively that the maggots had been there weeks before his death. Haines

WASHED THE DEAD MAN

and put on a clean shirt. In doing this he raised the arm, and the skin under the arm-pit broke away, and a mass of maggots fell out. It seemed as though the old man's side was actually eaten away by this vermin life. The appearance of the body is described as being something frightful. The poor old man's emaciated form was a mass of corruption.

Mr. Kelly was called away for a day or two at this time, and before going he left strict orders that the body was not to be removed during his absence. Keays, however, who at this time had started a large hotel at Port Elgin, came with an undertaker and took the body away, in the meantime telegraphing to the son, who had the body taken to Chicago.

Shortly after William Webster had returned to Chicago with the body of his father fresh interest was created in the affair by the arrival of Sheriff's Officer John O'Connell. Mr. O'Connell was suspicious of

FOUL PLAY

and spent some time in investigating the case. Shortly after his arrival a nephew of the dead man appeared, and he too was investigated. He engaged the services of a lawyer to get affidavits from men who came in contact with the old man, and the statutory declarations thereafter made, if, it is said, the story as it is told above.

Mr. Webster was an old man, about 65 years of age, and when he arrived at Burgoyne he was fashionably and handsomely attired, was apparently strong and healthy, and had all the appearance of a cultured, educated gentleman.

NICOLA MINING LANDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

I notice that your issue of the 11th inst. contains a letter from W. D. P., which professes to be meant as a reply to mine of the 21st January. It appears to be a clumsy and unsatisfactory apology for his apology of a shaft on his mineral claim, near Stump Lake, and an uncouth and ungracious semi-correction, and part repetition of his previous erroneous statements relating to the Nicola Mining and Milling Company. W. D. P. has to admit that the extraordinary hole he has made is a "rough" and "crooked" piece of business, but he thinks there is an advantage in crookedness. He claims that there is more hole than I inferred from the rock at the mouth of it, and he seemed annoyed that I did not allow him more rope. I assure him that he is welcome to an extra length—if he will only make a good use of it. If, as W. D. P. states, one, "cannot tell the size of a hole in the ground by looking at the material taken therefrom," I am disposed to believe that it is not improbable that in two mining seasons he has succeeded in making a hole in the ground 33 feet deep, and I think it is a pity that it has been so mismade as to be quite worthless for a working shaft. From W. D. P.'s own statement, and calculations of time taken and cost, it appears that all the work done in 1885 and 1886 upon his lode is the above mentioned 33 foot hole—allowing him between seven and eight months for intervals of rest in his arduous labors shows his rate of progress to have been one inch per day! As W. D. P. says that he had sometimes one, and sometimes two men working for him it is evident that he must have been rather an obstruction than an assistance to the work. Now as to cost, figuring an estimate on W. D. P.'s estimates of the first four feet by one man, in one day, and gradually increasing in cost until at 30 feet down, six inches in one day by two men, I find that it approximates to one foot per day, for one man, which makes the cost of his hole, at $3 per day, $90. As to legally hold his claim an expenditure upon it of $200 is required of him in 1885 and $100 in 1886, and affidavits had to be made by him that he had expended that amount of money or labor, I am at a loss to conceive how he can reconcile his affidavits with his conscience. There are unfortunately people who will say anything, and swear anything regardless of truth, if it suits them. For the reputation of Nicola I hope that W. D. P. at least draws the line when swearing. W. D. P. in explanation of the trivial work done on his ledge states that he has fenced in forty acres, put up a three-stall stable and erected a cabin, etc., the mining utility of which is not apparent, on land a mile and a half away from his claim. If W. D. P. refers to the mineral act he will see that the expenditure to hold a claim is required upon "the claim itself." The act generously construed may permit his little blacksmith shop to count as work on his claim, and so prevent it being abandoned ground, although W. D. P. evidently thinks differently, or he would in estimating the outlay of the Nicola Mining and Milling Co., have credited them with the solid structures in the way of buildings they have upon their property. I am far from desiring to belittle W. D. P.'s mining work, trivial, primitive and useless though it is. To do so would make it almost invisible. Mining developments are too few in British Columbia to incline one to attempt to hide the most insignificant of them. W. D. P. may be an excellent surveyor, but unfortunately he has not heeded the saying which he was kind enough to favorably recommend to my attention, namely, "let every cobbler stick to his last." The consequences that he has taken up with an occupation for which he is not qualified with the result that he is a detriment, and somewhat of a nuisance, as regards the mineral development of this province. If W. D. P. possessed the gift of seeing himself as others see him, and was not so completely wrapped up in unconscious ignorance, he would know how grotesquely ridiculous he makes himself by posing as a mining oracle, and sitting in judgment on the Nicola Mining and Milling Co. who have done everything worth mentioning that has so far been accomplished near Stump Lake, to bring into prominence and attract large English capital to the promising mines of Nicola. Not only does W. D. P. set himself up as a mining oracle but he assumes to himself the right to decide upon the titles of those having mineral claims. According to W. D. P. the Nicola Co. hold their ground "by means of a legal quibble, and far from honorable." Allow me to state that they hold their ground under the Mineral Acts of this province, and have complied faithfully and honorably with all their requirements and provisions. By some oversight of the Legislature it is nowhere mentioned that miners are to bow down before, and hold their claims by the grace of "Billy Patterson." Until W. D. P. has this oversight corrected he must not be surprised, or feel annoyed, if miners and mining companies ignore his pretensions. My previous statements, with regard to the aggregate depth of the shafts on the Nicola Co.'s claims, are strictly accurate. I will not trespass upon your space by again repeating them. Unlike W. D. P., who stopped hole-making altogether when reaching a depth at which it began to be expensive, the Nicola Company sank shafts over fifty and 60 feet deep and proved their veins mineralized "to that depth. The oracle declares that the tunnel work must count for nothing." What the mineral act states is that "any money or labor expended in constructing a tunnel to develop a lode or vein shall be deemed to have been expended on such lode or vein." W. D. P. is so much off his base, and so transparently nonsensical that I feel I owe you an apology for referring to him at such length. I have done so mainly with the object of teaching him the wisdom of minding his own business and leaving that of other people alone. I hope that he will learn to realize that there is some common sense in the proverb that those "who live in glass houses should not throw stones," and will give up his objectionable habit of shying at the windows of others at any rate, until he makes some protection for his own. Nicola surely is a large enough mineral district to hold W. D. P., the Nicola Company and many hundreds of others, and I will add that it needs, and is deserving of, something better for its development than the misdirected and, I regret to have to say, ridiculous efforts of your correspondent.—W. D. P.

FAIR PLAY.

A BAD BUSINESS

How the Retaliation Measures would Affect the G. T. R.

Mr. William Wainwright, the assistant general manager of the Grand Trunk road, has views, says the Minneapolis *Tribune*, on the international complications which may possibly arise between Canada and the United States, and its effects on that property. He says: "I have not believed that the bills introduced in Congress had a shadow of a chance to pass. I thought the same, however, of the interstate commerce bill, and that was railroaded through both houses. The effect on the Grand Trunk would be severe. Our receipts, in round numbers, are $16,000,000 a year. We draw one-third or more of our gross receipts from through business to the United States. We might be cut off $6,000,000 or $7,000,000. Perhaps we could recoup in other directions. We must certainly hope that no such legislation will prevail. The present feeling of your congress, however, will not lead to any special consideration for railroads. The Central Vermont, an American road, will be very badly hurt. We would be cut off from our Portland connection and from our Chicago branch, which is 325 miles in length. The Southeastern road, which crosses into Vermont at Stanbford, would be much embarrassed. It could not run its engines over the line, and there would have to be a transfer at the border. It's bad business all round."

CELEBRITIES.

Col. Rob. Ingersoll has a famous Irish setter which is said to share the agnostic propensities of his master.

Lester Wallack, the actor, is said to be getting stiff in the knees, and he is thinking about giving up playing altogether.

Judge Reagan is the hardest member of Congress to report. He stutters and mumbles his words so that the stenographers cannot catch them.

Lord Colin Campbell has been cut by many of his old acquaintances, and there is nothing left for him to do but move to New York and be lionized.

Miss Celeste Stouffer, of New Orleans, was the recipient of the late S. J. Tilden's St. Bernard dog, but he could not stand the climate and had to be sent back to the Alps.

Major Serpa Pinto, the African traveller, is about forty-five years old, small and slight, with a soft, gentle voice. He says he does not expect to revisit the "Dark Continent."

Young James Blaine has resigned his situation as a reporter on a Pittsburg paper and has gone to New York. He says he is sick of the business. It certainly is not an pleasant as playing polo, but it is a good deal less dangerous.

On state occasions Chang Yen Hoon, the Chinese Minister at Washington, D. C., wears a robe of light blue damask silk over a petticoat of white brocade and a black cap surmounted by a purple button with a big diamond in it and a peacock's feather.

Rabbi Brown, of New York, says the reason good Hebrews are so healthy is because they have two days and a half rest every week in addition to their numerous holidays. They cease work Friday noon, observe Saturday as their Sabbath, and are compelled by law to rest on Sunday.

Our National Debt.

In 1878 the net public debt of Canada was $75,720,000; to-day it is at least $225,000,000, within a fraction of *three times* what is was on the 1st July, 1867, Confederation day. According to the Toronto *Leader*, then the organ of the Conservative party, the price of wheat was $1.85 per bushel, which would pay $1.85 of the farmers' indebtedness. In Toronto, on the 27th ult., the price of wheat (in winter) was quoted at 84 cents per bushel, so that one bushel of wheat now wipes out only 84 cents of the farmer's indebtedness as compared with $1.85 on the 1st of July, 1867. Thus the national debt has been multiplied by three and the paying power of our leading national staple product, wheat, reduced by 55 per cent. In that period the population of the Dominion has increased about one million. Making allowance for this, the burden of the debt upon the earning power of our chief product is as great as a burden of $372,410,000 would have been in 1867. The debt then in its burdensomeness upon the people has been multiplied about five times. To understand the magnitude of the debt it can be ascertained more clearly by stating that it has increased at the rate of $2[illegible] per minute during the whole of Sir John's administration, allowing ten working hours a day, and 25 working days to the month. In view of these facts is it not time to ask the question, "Whether are we drifting?"

I believe in the view of the Moderate Protectionists—on ample advantage to the home manufacturer. Free Trade, as I have repeatedly explained, is for us impossible, and the issue is whether the present tariff is perfect or defective and unjust.—Hon. Edward Blake on the Tariff question.

FROM FOREIGN LANDS.

Happenings from Beyond the Atlantic—Political and War-like News.

The Great Crowned Heads of Europe Sounding the Czar.

The Sultan and Portugal.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—Advices from Zanzibar state that the Sultan has refused to comply with the demand of the Portuguese government of Mozambique to surrender the territory claimed by Portugal, but he has recognized an Anglo-German agreement, and has referred the matter to the friendly powers. Portugal has on this account replaced her diplomatic relations with the Sultan, and has hauled down the Portuguese flag from the consulate at Zanzibar. In addition to this, a number of Portuguese men-of-war have proceeded to Tungi, the bombardment of which is threatened.

The Queen's Speech.

The House of Commons, this morning, resumed the debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech. The amendment offered by Easlemont, Liberal, in favor of an inquiry into the condition of farm laborers in Scotland, was rejected—198 to 93. An amendment offered by Mr. Campbell in favor of local government in Scotland and other parts of the kingdom, was withdrawn after a discussion.

Goschen Elected.

Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, was elected member of Parliament for St. George's Hanover Square on the 9th inst. The vote stood: Goschen, 5,702; Hayssman (Gladstonian), 1,545. At the last election in this district Lord Algernon Percy, who resigned in order to allow Goschen to run, was returned without opposition.

The division on the Parnell Amendment was disappointingly large.

The foreign office has a dispatch from Cape Town, denying the truth of the report that Dr. Emil Holub and his party has been massacred.

British troops in India will be armed with repeating rifles, and the Martini rifles will be transferred to the Sepoys.

The American cardinals arrived at Rome on the 13th inst. Cardinal Taschereau, of Quebec, accompanies them.

Warlike preparations continue to be carried out in Germany.

Herr Krupp has issued a stirring appeal to his 20,000 employes to vote for the septennate.

Reports are current that Emperor William is in a very weak condition.

Official reports of the Italian troops in the Soudan have been received at Rome.

The German Press.

BERLIN, Feb. 14.—The *Post* says, in reply to the inquiry by Deputy Eysen in the Landtag as to whether war was probable, that Bismarck said: "You know quite as much as I do. We live in a state of peace, but look at the French preparations at building barracks, the position of General Boulanger, the constant outcry of the French Patriot League during the last sixteen years. Then consider what we have to fear from France." The *Post* recommends that the Germans who desire to know the position of the French on the frontier to study the map prepared by Major Troitsch and published at Stuttgart, which shows between Paris and the eastern frontier the troops of line combined with the present reserves, forming an effective force of 600,000 which can be tripled in a few days. *Germania* denies that Windthorst kept secret Cardinal Jacobini's letter and asserts that the first letter was made known to the Center leaders only through the press.

Francis Joseph.

VIENNA, Feb. 14.—Herr Tisza, the Hungarian premier, arrived here yesterday afternoon and is now conferring with the Emperor. He attended a meeting of the Council of Ministers called to consider the question of an early assembling of the delegations and the amounts of credit to be asked.

The staff of the Steyr rifle factory has been quadrupled and work been given to other factories. Repeating rifles cannot be supplied for the whole army until the end of May.

Sounding the Czar.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that Gen. Von Schweinitz, the German Ambassador to Russia, recently sounded the Czar as to whether he would remain neutral in the event of war between Germany and France, and that the Czar refused to make any engagement respecting the matter.

Will Issue a Manifesto.

BERLIN, Feb. 14.—The *Vossische Zeitung* says that Emperor William will issue a manifesto on the 19th inst. The Government hopes that the lateness of its appearance will prevent its discussion by the press.

The fort created at Cammerscel, an exact duplicate of the French frontier forts, was destroyed in forty-eight hours by the new explosive.

25,000,000 Florins Wanted.

VIENNA, Feb. 14.—The Council of Ministers has decided that the delegations shall meet on March 1st. The government will ask a credit of 25,000,000 florins to complete the military supplies, also an extra credit, not exceeding the former, which will only be utilized if the political situation continues threatening.

A California Rain Storm.

MERCED, Feb. 14.—The rain for the past twenty hours has been unusually steady and heavy. The streams are overflowing part of the valley, meaning great laundrie of land planted to wheat with water. The rain ceased falling about 4 this afternoon, though appearances indicate that the rain is not over.

Fresno Grimes it is learned that the levee broke two miles below here, at Brownings. A large volume of water is pouring through the aperture, which is nearly fifty feet wide. Thousands of acres will be inundated. Another break occurred just opposite and is now over 300 feet wide.

Elected by Acclamation.

QUEBEC, Feb. 12.—The following members of the new Quebec government were elected to-day by acclamation: Mercier, premier and attorney general; Gagne, agriculture; Duhamel, minister general; Shehyn, treasurer; Mathieu, commissioner of agriculture and public works.

Gems of British Columbia.

Lelah's who have had their children's photographs taken at Mrs. E. Hayward's Studio during the past year, 1886, and have not yet received any yearly gems therein, will oblige by calling at the Studio and receiving the same, and do so by paying at the office of publication.

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BRITISH IMMIGRATION.

The Earl of Carnarvon has recently written a letter to the London Times in which he says, "We have no right to send out to our colonies broken down paupers and useless workmen, and unless colonial consent and co-operation be obtained, only trouble and sorrow can come of the attempt. Second only in importance to a careful selection of emigrants is the duty of not sending out too large a number at a time. Quality must be considered, and, quantity must be limited, for the labor market, like many markets, is sensitive and can easily be disturbed by a slight excess in supply over the demand." One of the curses of Canada, observes the Montreal *Trade Review*, as most of us have realized, has been that, like Australia, was chosen for the accommodation of convicts, so Canada was elected as a convenient place to which to deport the offscourings of the cities of Great Britain. Poverty is no crime, however inconvenient it may be, but we have no right to be afflicted with the article exported from the mother country, many of whose representatives have neither the will or the ability to work. If the "philanthropists" of Great Britain—"Heaven save the mark" when we class in this way many who pose as much—undertake to supply us with the excessive supply which exists there, it is for them to take the steps necessary to maintain them in a proper manner and watch over them until they have become accustomed to our conditions and are able to maintain themselves and those for whom they are in the natural sense responsible.

Canada is not a national charitable institution, nor shall her Government or her tax-payers be expected to perform the duties which appertain to the British rate-payers and the boards of guardians which distribute his contributions. There must be consent and co-operation on the part of the Canadian authorities in whatever is done in this direction. It must be placed on a business basis and from a strictly business standpoint must it be regarded. Canada has quite enough paupers and useless workmen already, many of them in whom we have neither interest nor concern except because we have been burdened with them with no consent of our own. The Earl of Carnarvon wisely remarks that the colonies must not have too large a number of emigrants sent out at a time. Precisely so, and they should be of the class which we want and not such as steamship owners or their agents may consider it to their advantage—not ours—to send over. Moreover, the time of the year at which persons should immigrate ought to be carefully considered, so that never should it be possible for persons to land up this side at an inclement season when it is impossible for them to do anything for themselves or for other people. We hope when Parliament next meets that the entire subject of immigration will have the attention which it needs, for in its various aspects it is a topic of the most vital concern.

The Ottawa *Free Press* reports that Bishop Grandin, of the Northwest territories, who was recently in Ottawa *en route* to Rome, prepared before his departure for the Eternal City a document containing a severe indictment of the present Dominion Government's Indian policy, which he proposed to issue at the present time. Sir John was made cognizant of these facts and seeing Bishop Grandin, entreated him not to make public the indictment, and gave promises and pledges that restitution would be given by the government and the grievances removed. Bishop Grandin decided in favor of the Premier's request, departed for Rome, but left the documentary indictment at the College at Ottawa, where it is we are credibly informed at the present moment. Some of the charges and statements made by His Lordship are said to be of the most startling character. It is too bad that these charges could not be made public. The government is on its trial, and the indictment cannot be too complete.

FREE FROM PARTY TRAMMELS.

The Montreal *Star* is specially severe on those in that city who are attempting to make a straight Conservative candidate of Sir Donald A. Smith, a procedure that is not fair to that gentleman or to many of those who favor his candidature. Sir Donald, our contemporary observes, does not appear before the electors of the western division of that city as a Conservative. *He is an independent man, free from the trammels of any party.* Sir John Macdonald's endorsation of his candidature makes no difference whatever in Sir Donald's principles, nor the position which he occupies with regard to the constituency. If Mr. Blake instead of Sir John, had been asked to endorse the candidature of Sir Donald there is little doubt but that the talented leader of the opposition would have given his endorsation just as readily as Sir John. The *Star* is of the opinion that neither will Sir John's approval have any effect upon the course which Sir Donald, if elected, will pursue in parliament. Some hot-headed and unreflecting politicians may think that if they succeed in giving Sir Donald's candidature a partisan complexion it will bind him more closely to the Conservative party and will increase his chances of election. They are, we are satisfied, mistaken in both conclusions. He is not the man to allow his action as a representative of the people to be embarrassed by party obligations, and the great majority of the electors of the Division would prefer to all others a representative in parliament whose action on all questions would be perfectly free from party entanglements of every kind. Montreal electors have had enough of partisan representatives of both sides, and most electors now believe that the member who can best serve them in the Federal legislature is a capable man who is *perfectly independent*. Sir Donald Smith is such a man.

FREE PASSES.

Bradstreet's says that a rather interesting point relating to the issue of free passes under the Interstate Commerce bill has just been raised by Mr. Charles F. Adams, the president of the Union Pacific Railroad Company. Mr. Adams, in instructions to the general manager of the company, interpreted the act as prohibiting the giving of free passes to persons not connected with the service of the company or traveling upon business in which it has no interest. Mr. Adams has asked ex-Judge Dillon, the general counsel of the Union Pacific Company, whether his view of the law is correct, and the latter has given an opinion holding that railroad companies subject to the provisions of the act are prohibited from issuing free passes for travel not disconnected with interstate communication nor commerce. This is an interpretation of the law which will doubtless sadden a large number of industrious travelers, legislators and others, but it will probably commend itself to many railroad managers, as it undoubtedly will to Mr. Adams. That gentleman has always regarded the free pass system as an outrage. As may be recollected, in his testimony before the Cullum Committee he declared that, in consequence of the issue of free passes, 10 per cent. or more had to be charged to those who do pay fares to make up for those who do not.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Toronto *News*: The fact remains that Blake's popularity was never before half as great as it is now.

It is now generally believed that all the members of the Quebec local government will on Saturday be re-elected by acclamation.

Only 139 persons had, up to the close of 1885, taken up homesteads on a stretch of 400 miles along the Canadian Pacific Railway.

It is understood the government will take no action in connection with the proposed printing bureau until after the elections.

Port Hope *Guide*: Mr. Blake's terrible arraignment of the government has put the organs complete on the defence. His studiously moderate statements, based upon facts orderly arranged and clearly stated, cannot be easily evaded.

The Montreal *Gazette* in referring to Mr. Blake's recent visit to that city and the address delivered by him of that gentleman says: Mr. Blake is a most able and eloquent man, and to those who listened to him the other evening at the Queen's Hall he carried many along with him almost spell-bound.

Mr. Blake is not a blow-hard like Tupper and some other politicians who might be named. When he says that he reckons confidently on a majority of 37 over all, if Quebec will hold even, it means that he has good reason to expect that result. Make no mistake about it; the Tories are at the end of their tether.

The Ontario government has rebuked the bigotry of the Toronto *Mail* and paid a graceful tribute to the French Canadian minority by asking Mr. Evanturel, M. P. P. for Prescott to second the address of the Ontario Legislature in reply to the speech from the throne. Mr. Evanturel is the first French Canadian upon whom that honor has been bestowed.

The working men of Toronto are likely to resent the insult offered them by the Hon. Frank Smith, a member of Sir John's cabinet, last summer, when he stated in his place in the Senate that they were "a lot of thieves." The slanderer did not apologize for this unwarranted attack upon a class of people whose hands are not tainted with "boodleism," "another ten thousand" or "I wish to God I could catch him," and will remember their slanderer's lead when marking their ballots on the 22nd instant.

Dominion Elections.

To the Electors of Vancouver Island District for the House of Commons.

Gentlemen,—

I beg to announce myself as a candidate at the coming Dominion Election for the representation of your important district in the Parliament of Canada.

I again solicit your confidence as a firm supporter of the Liberal Conservative party, whose wise policy has raised the Dominion of Canada to her present exalted position.

I will hold public meetings wherever I find it possible to do so, of which due notice will be given and at which I will give an account of my stewardship during the four years that I have had the honor of representing you in the House of Commons.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Yours truly,
D. W. GORDON.

Nanaimo, Jan. 17th, 1887. jan18-tw

To the Electors of the City of Victoria District.

Gentlemen:

I again offer myself as a candidate for your suffrages at the coming Election, as a Conservative, but not as a slave to any party. My platform will be: (1) The well-being of Victoria and District, which has been entirely overlooked; (2) Vancouver Island and its varied interests; (3) British Columbia in general; (4) The Dominion and its people. As Mayor of the city, I feel it will enable me to bring before the Dominion Government these varied interests with greater force and effect.

Yours, &c.,
JAMES FELL.

To the Electors of Vancouver District.

Gentlemen,—Having been requested by a large number of Electors to allow my name to be placed in nomination as Liberal Conservative Candidate for the House of Commons for your large and important District, I respectfully announce myself as a Candidate for the favor of your support at the coming election.

I will be pleased to hold public meetings wherever possible as soon as dates can be arranged.

Yours Faithfully,
J. P. PLANTA.

Nanaimo, V. I., Jan. 28th, '87. jan28

To the Voters in the Electoral District of Victoria.

Gentlemen,—I am a candidate for the Ottawa House of Commons as a supporter of Sir John A. Macdonald.

T. R. HUMPHREYS.

DOMINION ELECTION.

To the Electors of the Electoral District of Victoria

Gentlemen:—I beg respectfully to announce myself a candidate for re-election to the Commons, as a supporter of the Liberal-Conservative party.

E. CROW BAKER.

Victoria, January 31, 1887. jan31

Dominion Election.

The undersigned announces that he is a candidate for the representation of the Victoria Electoral District in the Commons of Canada, and respectfully solicits the vote and influence of the electors in said District.

W. A. ROBERTSON.
jan 18

To the Electors of Electoral District of Victoria

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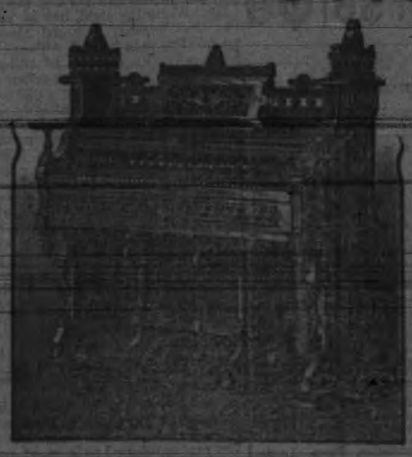

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A DEADLY VESSEL.

The New Pneumatic Dynamite Gun Vessels of the U. S.

The American Navy Department will complete late this week the drawing of a contract with the Pneumatic Dynamite Gun Company, of New York, for the construction of a dynamite steel cruiser, to be completed by June 1. If this vessel is all that is claimed for it, then the harbor of New York will be safe from any foreign fleet. The work on this vessel will be hastened on account of possible complications between this country and England. Congress authorized the construction of this vessel last year, but very little has been said about it, and the fact that the department has completed the arrangements for the building is not generally known.

The vessel is to carry three dynamite guns, each capable of throwing with accuracy 250 pounds of dynamite a distance of one mile. The contract provides that each gun shall be capable of being discharged once in two minutes. These are to be guns of ten and one-half-inch calibre. The company has promised to make them twelve inches. If the guns are made of that capacity they will be capable of throwing 400 pounds of dynamite, which would be sufficient to blow up the largest vessel known to any modern navy. The contract specifies that the vessel shall have a capacity of twenty knots an hour, which means 23 miles of speed. There are very few vessels of great capacity capable of making any such speed. None of the heavy armored vessels of modern times will be capable of running away from this new cruiser. She is to be 230 feet long, 25 feet breadth of beam, with 7½ feet draught and 3,200 horse power.

The government contracts to pay for her $750,000. The company has given bonds to carry out this contract. If the vessel does not reach the speed named she will not be accepted. The contract also specifies that these guns are to be fired with safety and accuracy at objects one mile distant as another condition of acceptance. The company is confident it will be able to fulfil the rigid letter of the contract. The plan of the boat has been favorably reported on by a naval board and by the Secretary of the Navy. Although nothing has been said about it,

The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1887.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Admiral Sir Cullen-Seymour will arrive here from Coquimbo in April.

—Money saved by having your plans made by FRAMES, the ARCHITECT. *

—THE TIMES' thanks is due to Mr. R. Word for files of late English papers.

—The W. U. telegraph lines are still down south of the boundary.

—So great was rain fall in California that the iron bridge at Butte City, costing $27,000 has been washed away.

—A fine line of water proof coats and umbrellas, cheap at A. GIMMOUR'S, Johnson street. *

—Political meeting to-morrow night beginning at 8 o'clock. All the candidates will orate.

—Photographic views along the line of the C. P. R. in B. C., for sale at R. MAYNARD'S, Douglas St.

—The anniversary ball of the Knights of Pythias of Nanaimo will take place at Wellington Hall on the 18th inst.

—EASTERN OYSTERS, fresh every day, at JOE LEVY'S, by gallon, quart or pint. Same price as Island Oysters. *

—Consignees per Starr to-day: S J Pitts, A Oliver, DeCandia & Co, J Wilson, J Parker, R Keeler, Vair & Costa.

—The Starr to-day brought 430 sheep for John Parker and 416 sacks of flour for J. Wilson.

—A safe weighing 7,400 pounds is lying on Turner, Beeton & Co.'s wharf. It came from Portland and is to be used at the B. C. bank's branch at Nanaimo.

—The Queen City Quintette Orchestra's music at the Olympic Club's masquerade last night was a pleasant surprise and was the theme of admiration by all.

—Mrs. Ellen H., beloved wife of Capt. Geo. D. Hill of Seattle, died in that city on the 12th inst., after a long and painful illness.

—Don't forget the paper and promenade social to be held in the Methodist church this Tuesday evening. Admission 25 cts, including refreshments. *

—Carpenters are at work upon the building to be used at Nanaimo for the branch of the Bank of B. C. shortly to be opened there.

—A snow storm is such a rarity in San Francisco that special mention was made of it in the city's daily papers by the column length.

—The amateurs of St. Joseph's Society, emboldened by their recent dramatic success, have another drama in rehearsal to be produced here at an early date.

—The $50 tax imposed upon Mrs. C. F. Moore, Chinese wife of an Englishman, now a resident of this city, has been returned by the Dominion government.

—A number of huge, powerful snow-ploughs are at present in the Rockies on the line of the C. P. R east of Kamloops, as well as on the prairie division.

—The gallant bachelors of Cowichan will give a return ball to the benedicts, their friends and families, at Quamichan Hall on Friday evening next.

—A second-hand tailor on the sunny side of Yates street, between Government and Broad, is reported to have left for parts unknown.

—To-morrow morning, beginning at 11 o'clock, Mr. Geo. Byrnes will sell by auction over Smith's cracker bakery, Fort street, next to A. McLean's clothing store, household furniture, etc.

—The Thompson opera troupe opened at the Casino, Portland, Saturday night last in "The Musketeers" an opera that drew a house of $27 here when the audience was dismissed.

—GOODWIN & JORDAN, piano manufacturers, tuning and repairing. FACTORY CORMORANT street, between Douglas and Blanchard. First class work only. Telephone 98; P. O. Box 422. *

—The three Chinamen—Hee Wing, Ah Kie and Ah Lim—for perjury; and Hoe Hue, for passing a counterfeit note, were bound over yesterday afternoon by Judge Harrison to stand their trial at the next assizes.

—Dr. A. C. West, dentist, will for the present occupy dental rooms in Hastings' Photographic buildings, Fort street, where his old patrons and all requiring fine dental work, are respectfully invited to call. *

—The beautiful is disappearing rapidly to-day under the influence of the Italian sky and old Sol's tropical rays. Gardening will be in order in a few days and ere many more moons arrive we shall be plunking primroses, pansies and daisies.

—Advices from Winnipeg are to the effect that Mr. A. W. Ross is meeting with greater success than he expected. His organization is complete. It is claimed by the friends that he will have an overwhelming majority in Lisgar.

—ANOTHER CANDIDATE—With pleasure we announce the candidature of A. B. Erskine to supply the PUBLIC with Boots and Shoes at most reasonable prices. CASH is his platform; committee rooms corner Government and Johnson streets; all are invited. *

Hall & Quackenbush, Vancouver, B.C., have the most complete list of business and suburban properties for sale at the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Price and terms to suit all parties. Inquiries by mail promptly answered. References. *

—The Olympic Club's masquerade at the Theatre Comique last night was a great social success. The costumes were varied and pretty. Refreshments were served at midnight and dancing indulged in till 2 a. m. Without a dissenting voice it was considered the most enjoyable affair this club has given this season.

—Mr. T. S. Gosnell, of the Inland revenue office, Hamilton, was the recipient from the brethren of Burton Lodge, Hamilton, A. F. and A. M., the other day of an illuminated address and a bachelor's toilet. Mr. Gosnell comes to this province to fill a position in the Inland revenue office at Vancouver.

—THE TIMES staff received a beautiful valentine yesterday. As it was directed THE TIMES there was a general scramble for it—that is after it was opened and found to be a beauty containing words of gushing love. If the young lady who sent it will call we will present her with a box of nice chewing gum. Now come on with your blushes!

—Mr. K. N. L. Macdonald has left Winnipeg for British Columbia, having received a commission from the Hudson's Bay Company to open up new territory in this province, so that new posts may be established. It is said that Mr. Macdonald's time will be occupied for five years in connection with the work he has undertaken.

—Our namesake of Seattle says "large posters were in circulation" to-day, issued by the government of British Columbia, offering a reward of $200 for the capture and arrest of one John Hogan, charged with the murder of James Jones on the 15th of January last at or near Grand Prairie, Kettle river, British Columbia." This is going from home to learn the news.

Hugh Allan & Co., dry goods, Ottawa, have assigned with liabilities of $12,000.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

In the House yesterday Mr. THOS. DAVIE moved the following resolution:

"Whereas it has been stated by an hon. member, in his place in this House, that at the last general election, whereat the senior member for the City of Victoria was a candidate, ballot papers were supplied to electors with the name of the said senior member obliterated. Be it resolved, that a select committee be appointed, with power to call for persons, books and papers, to enquire into the report to the House upon the conduct of the last general election in this city, and whether any such obliterated ballot papers were supplied to any of the electors thereat, and under what circumstances. Such committee to consist of Messrs. Beaven, Grant, Turner, Prior, and the mover."

After a lengthy discussion Mr. BOLE moved—

To strike out the word "obliterated" on the third line thereof, and insert in lieu the words "interfered with."

Insert as fourth line the following: "Whereas the members from the city "and district of New Westminster have "stated from their places in the House "that the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, "in the month of June last, informed the "electors of New Westminster, when "soliciting their suffrage, that the sum of "$100,000 of the money received from the "Dominion government on account of "the graving dock refund was unexpended, and was at that time in the Treasury."

Strike out the word "obliterated," in the sixth line thereof, and insert after the word "were," in the sixth line, the words "in anywise interfered with."

Insert after the word "circumstances," on the seventh line, "and also to report "to this House as to the circumstances attending the making of such statements "by the Provincial Secretary."

This was a reasonable addition to the original motion, but the government dare not accept it, being afraid of the consequences. They therefore called upon their faithful followers, who responded to the invitation and voted to refuse investigation into the wholesale bribery of the Provincial Secretary. The following voted to whitewash the Provincial Secretary:

Anderson,	Mason,
Cowan,	Davie, A. E. B.,
Davie, T.,	Allen,
John,	Vernon,
Turner,	Thomson,
Baker,	Dunsmuir,
Croft,	Higgins.

The original motion was carried, every member of the opposition voting for it. The principles actuating the two parties thus stand out in remarkable contrast; one is willing and the other afraid to have an investigation.

The debate on Mr. BOLE's amendment caused Mr. TURNER, in his innocent verdancy, to drop a bomb into the government camp when he said that many statements had been made during last election that would not bear being enquired into. So say we.

The bungling THEODORE evidently had a white elephant on his hands. His anxiety to tone his resolution down, by proposing to amend it, showed how much he has yet to learn in legislative procedure, notwithstanding his four years experience. Upon Mr. BEAVEN calling the Speaker's attention to the point, it was promptly ruled out of order.

The Provincial Secretary was caught fibbing, if the weight of evidence means anything. The members for New Westminster city and district stated that the honorable gentleman, during his canvass before last election, told the electors that the government had $100,000 of the dry dock refund in the treasury, to be expended on the mainland, over and above ordinary expenditure. After the chameleon had denied dangling the bribe, instead of having cash in hand, the public accounts show that the government owed an overdraft at the bank of $174,000 at that particular time. So much for Honest JOHN's veracity.

It was pitiable to observe the consternation of the government and following when the member for New Westminster City proposed to add to the resolution of the junior member for Victoria, that it was desirable that the same committee should enquire and report to the House whether the Hon. Provincial Secretary did go into the fight on June last with a bag of black sand (said by him to have contained $100,000, to be dealt out according as the electors would support him) in one hand, an election address in the other, and the Chief Commissionership in his pocket. It is needless to say that the enquiry as to the truth of these statements was voted down by the intelligent and independent supporters of the government. (?)

A spectator from the gallery asked us, what the middle member for Yale, Mr. VERNON, was trying to do when attempting to brace up the Provincial Secretary in his denial of what he promised the electors of New Westminster district during election times? Truly that is a difficult question to answer, as the hon. gentlemen after making a few remarks about wasting the time of the House, (although he did not refer to the adjournment by the government from Thursday last till Monday), Mr. VERNON did seem to be looking for something, (sotto voce, he was heard to say, "Hurry up that amendment, I can't kill time much longer." The hon. gentleman cannot blind "the electors to the fact, that the government have much to cover up, and in their efforts yesterday, they presented a sorry plight."

—The Struve-Skinner foot race at Portland has ended in a row and all bets are in abeyance. The former was engaged in a "put up" race here a short time ago.

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Nomination Day.

In about two hundred of the constituent districts of Canada nominations of representatives for the House of Commons will be held to-day. In this province as only one district will there be a nomination, that of Yale, where Mr. John A. Mara will, in all probability, be elected by acclamation. According to our latest advices from the east in almost every constituency there were opposing candidates, so that the elections by acclamation this year are not likely to be as numerous as they were in 1882. On that occasion no less than 25 supporters of Sir John A. Macdonald were allowed to walk the course. Up to our latest advices the Liberals had more candidates in the field than their opponents. A few members, representing the views of both the contending parties, will undoubtedly be elected by acclamation to-day, but the number as compared with other years will be insignificant.

The Reward of True Merit.

The unprecedented sale of *Boschee's German Syrup* within a few years, has astonished the world. It is without doubt the safest and best remedy ever discovered for the speedy and effectual cure of Coughs, Colds and the severest Lung troubles. It acts on an entirely different principle from the usual prescriptions given by Physicians, as it does not dry up a Cough and leave the disease still in the system, but on the contrary removes the cause of the trouble, heals the parts affected and leaves them in a purely healthy condition. A bottle kept in the house for use when the diseases make their appearance, will save doctor's bills and a long spell of serious illness. A trial will convince you of these facts. It is positively sold by all druggists and general dealers in the land. Price, 75 cts., large bottles. *

Election Tactics.

An eastern journal in animadverting on the shortcomings of the government states that the total white population of Manitoba and the territories does not exceed 125,000, and that of British Columbia does not exceed 50,000. That in violation of the fundamental principles of our constitution, representation by population, Manitoba, the territories and British Columbia, have collectively 15 representatives in the new Commons, being nearly twice the proportion accorded to New Brunswick. In the face of this protest Mr. Donald Chisholm in his address to the electors of New Westminster district declares himself in favor of a fewer representation from British Columbia.

Harbor Improvements.

In answer to "Bystander" THE TIMES has to state that the total grant for harbors and rivers improvements in British Columbia, for the year ending 30th June 1885 was $11,150; the total expenditure $6,554.16, leaving a balance unexpended of $4,595.84. Of the sum expended $905.68 was for general improvements; $708.04 on the Cowichan and Kootenay Rivers; $4,802.74 on the Fraser; $25.50 on the Serpentine River. The grant for Victoria harbor was $1,500, and the expenditure for that year $8.25. A detailed account of the other disbursements in the province would be equally interesting; but much time would be required to prepare it.

Our Amateurs at Nanaimo.

The St. Joseph's Literary Society performed the drama of "Lucille" at Nanaimo on Saturday night last to a crowded house, many persons being unable to gain admittance to the hall on account of the crush. The Nanaimoites were so pleased with the performance that the company was urged to again perform Monday evening. They were unable to do so, however, and all arrived back Sunday evening in the best of spirits, delighted both with their great success and the good people of Nanaimo. After the performance the troupe was treated right royally by Mrs. Watkins, of the Royal Hotel.

Catarrh, Catarrhal Deafness and Hay Fever.

Sufferers are not generally aware that these diseases are contagious, or that they are due to the presence of living parasites in the lining membrane of the nose and eustachian tubes. Microscopic research, however, has proved this to be a fact, and the result is that a simple remedy has been formulated whereby catarrh, catarrhal deafness and hay fever are cured in from one to three simple applications made at home. A pamphlet explaining this new treatment is sent free on receipt of stamp, by A. H. Dixon & Son, 305 King street West, Toronto, Canada.—*Christian Standard.* *

Political Meetings.

The Liberals will meet again this (Tuesday) evening at the call of the President, Hon. A. N. Richards, in Deony's building, entrance from Broad street. A full turn out is expected, as matters of great importance will come up for discussion. All whose views are not in harmony with the Federal government in its general policy are invited to be present.

Messrs. Baker and Shakespeare have called a meeting of the electors for to-morrow (Wednesday) evening in the Victoria Theatre, when they will give an account of their stewardship to the electors.

A Canadian Defaulter.

In the extradition case of Benjamin Hageman, Jr., the Canadian defaulter, heard last week in San Francisco, Commissioner Sawyer decided to hold the defendant to await the decision of the Secretary of State. Hageman made a statement, claiming that he had always filled out the checks of his employers, Howland, Jones & Co., of Toronto, and that Jones would invariably sign anything he asked.

A Graceful Act.

When the Concordia troupe was at Nanaimo last week Mr. H. F. Steward, the manager, stepped before the footlights and in the following few pointed remarks regarding "Lucille" said: "Having witnessed the play at the Victoria theatre, he spoke in the highest terms of it, and urged a liberal patronage, as he was sure that anyone who should fail to attend would miss a rare treat."

Sale of Wheat.

Mr. Joshua Davies to-day sold 436 tons of wheat, ex bark Edinburgh, one-third being badly damaged, at Esquimalt, in parcels of not less than one thousand sacks. The fairly good to last sold from 70 cents a sack (of 120 pounds) to 60 cents, subject to a duty of 20 per cent. The principal purchaser was Mr. John Grant. The damaged wheat, about 180 sacks, sold for $92.50.

City Council.

The adjourned meeting of the City Council was held last evening. Amendments were adopted to the regulations governing the police force and to the pound by-law, the latter being amended in accordance with the agreement arrived at during the conference with the Blackman. Council adjourned until Wednesday night.

Something Wrong.

Notwithstanding the united efforts of the Local and Federal Governments, the C. P. R., the Hudson Bay Company, and the various colonization companies to induce immigration to cultivate the soil, after many years of settlement, the Dominion is asked to furnish seed grain to settlers along 400 miles of the Pacific Railway, including the Bell Farm.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

First Session of the Fifth Legislative Assembly.

THIRD DAY—CONTINUED.

MONDAY, Feb. 14.

Hon. J. Robson said he never made the statement attributed to him; what he had said was that $102,000 of the dock money was still to come to the mainland, from year to year, but he did not say that it was in the treasury, as no one knew better than myself that it was not there.

Mr. Semlin—How did you arrive at the amount?

Hon. J. Robson—I got it from the auditor. The statement was not made for the purpose of influencing the elections.

Mr. Bole said he distinctly heard the Provincial Secretary say, in the City of New Westminster, that the sum of one hundred thousand was in the treasury to the credit of the mainland. He would not accuse him of misrepresenting, but he certainly had a very convenient way of forgetting what he had said.

Mr. Ladner said he also, at several meetings, had heard the Provincial Secretary make the statement which he now denied.

Mr. Orr had distinctly heard the Provincial Secretary, at several meetings, say there was one hundred thousand dollars in the treasury, and at Surrey he said $102,000. At Surrey, Maple Ridge, Chilliwhack, Port Moody, Moodyville and New Westminster, that statement was made. (Hear, Hear.)

Mr. Dunsmuir said if the hundred thousand was not in the treasury it was on the books, and the members for New Westminster should be glad to know that they had that sum to expend. They should keep the Finance Minister to his word.

Hon. Mr. Davie said the two motions were distinct, and no good could come from it re-digesting the charge against the Provincial Secretary. He would vote against the amendment and for the motion. He moved an amendment to the amendment, which was ruled out of order by Mr. Speaker on the ground that it was an amendment to the original motion.

Mr. Semlin pointed out that a proposal to buy up a constituency with $100,000 was as great an irregularity as marked ballot papers, and both should be enquired into.

The debate was continued at length, and on a vote being taken Mr. Bole's amendment was defeated, the original motion being carried by a vote of 14 to 8.

MOUNT DOUGLAS.

Mr. John moved for correspondence between the government and the Victoria council respecting the transfer of Mount Douglas reserve, Victoria district, to the latter corporation. Carried.

THE MINES.

The report of the mines, up to 31st December, 1886, was laid on the table.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

An act to amend the qualification and registration of voters' act, 1876, was read a first time.

CARIBOO TIMBER.

Mr. Cowan asked—Have any timber leases or grants in the Cariboo district been applied for; and if so, by whom; and for what extent?

Hon. Attorney-General—There have been no applications for timber leases in the Cariboo district.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.

Mr. Higgins asked—Is it the intention of the government to place a sum on the estimates for the current year to provide for the erection of a suitable building for parliamentary purposes?

Hon. Attorney-General—It is not.

House adjourned at 5:45.

ELEVENTH DAY.

TUESDAY, Feb. 15.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 p.m. Prayers by Rev. Mr. Beanlands.

RETURNS.

Hon. J. Robson presented a return of all timber lands alienated.

The Attorney General presented the lease of the Kootenay Reclamation Co.

PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Bole said, as usual, the *Colonist* had reported his remarks inaccurately. He was credited with saying that the Provincial Secretary had stated that $300,000 of dry dock money was unexpended; the figure he had mentioned was $100,000.

Mr. Beaven called attention to inaccuracies in the printed record of yesterday's proceedings in regard to the amendment moved by Mr. Bole, and the amendment thereto. The resolution as carried was totally at variance with the records as printed.

A discussion ensued on the point, raised partly elicited by Messrs Bole, Davie, Dunsmuir, Semlin and others, after which the Speaker ruled that the votes and proceedings were a true record of what had taken place, with a trifling exception.

Mr. T. Davie's bill intituled "An Act respecting the estates, and to control the civil rights, of imbeciles and habitual drunkards," was introduced and read a first time.

Mr. T. Davie moved: "That a select committee be appointed, with power to call for persons, books and papers, to enquire into and report to the House upon the working of the "Small Debts Act," passed at the last session of the House." The mover said he had learned that in some cases the act had worked well, in others disastrously, and in a few it had not worked at all. At Nanaimo it had been found to operate very successfully, while in Victoria it had not been put into operation at all. He thought there was something radically wrong either in the act or in those who were charged with its administration. Until there is a proper county court system in the province this act should be made workable and be enforced.

Fire Alarm.

The fire alarm last night was caused by the roof of Mrs. Leigh's house, on Douglas street, catching fire from the chimney. The brigade turned out, but the fire was suppressed with pails before it had gained headway, and the damage was only slight. One of the firemen accidentally ran his foot through the ceiling, which was perhaps the greatest damage done.

The Concordia.

This excellent vaudeville company present an entire change of programme this week. Kitty Goodwin and Kitty Chapman in new sets; Kid and Mulligan the funny 'us'n in new sketches; Carrie Linton in choice vocal selections. Admission 25 cts. Full houses the rule here.

The minority on the Parnell Amendment included four Liberal ex-cabinet ministers, and most, but not all, of the Gladstonian rank and file.

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DOMINION ELECTION.

First Gun Fired—Mr. John A. Mara Elected by Acclamation.

KAMLOOPS, Feb. 15.—Mr. John A. Mara was to-day elected by acclamation a member of the House of Commons for Canada for the Yale and Kootenay districts. He was unopposed.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Gideon Robertson intends proceeding to the mainland in the morning.

Mr. D. Kerr, of Brackman & Kerr, Saanich cheese-cut mills, is in the city.

Mr. D. E. Brown, general passenger and freight agent of the C. P. R., on this coast went to Portland this morning by the Sound steamer.

Passengers by the Geo. E. Starr to-day: W Buck, H Smith, J Cunningham, Bissett, Mrs Dickenson, Ross and C Yader.

Police News.

The man found near the E. & N. Railway station last night in a stupor was to-day released from gaol. He gave the name of Arthur Richards.

Tom Fury, described by the police as a notorious "rag" of this city, was to-day served with a summons by Officer Haughton for vagrancy. Three months or $50 is the rule in cases of this sort. There are several more of this stripe in the city whom the police have an eye on.

Charitable Works.

Last week at Nanaimo Mrs. Wm. Raybould, wife of the late Wm. Raybould R. P. P., was handed a check for $2,000 by Messrs. M. Wolfe and W. C. Halleck, of Nanaimo Lodge, No. 53, A. O. U. W., being the amount of the policy secured in the order by the deceased.

This makes the second disbursement of $2,000 at Nanaimo within a short time—Mrs. Dr. Clunes having been benefitted to that amount on the death of her husband a short time ago.

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AUCTION

Wednesday, Feb. 16, 11 a.m.

Furniture, &c.

I have been instructed to sell all the Furniture in the Lodging House over Smith's Cracker Bakery on Fort street.

The contents of Twelve Bedrooms, Sitting Rooms and Kitchen, consisting of Bedsteads, Springs and Mattresses, Bureaus, Washstands, Tables, Chairs, Rocking Chairs, Mirrors, Bedding, Blankets, Quilts and Counterpanes, Meals Tea, Tea Pots, Knives, Forks, Spoons, Forks, Plates, Cups, Saucers, Tea-ware, &c., &c.

feb11 GEO. EYRES, Auctioneer.

Hudson's Bay Company.

Large additions to the present Stock of Oilman's Stores, Wines and Liquors have been received ex "Hermine."

These Goods have been purchased on advantageous terms, and are now being offered at Low Prices.

Further supplies of General Merchandise are expected to arrive shortly, ex "Viola," "Huasquina," "Oban Bay," and "Titania."

REMOVAL.

Messrs. A. GREGG & SON,

Merchant Tailors,

Have Removed to the premises lately occupied by the Queen's Hotel, YATES STREET, where they hope to see all their old friends and Customers.

A New Stock of Imported Woollens

Just opened. An Inspection of our Stock is solicited.
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feb9d

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Farms of 40 acres each at $20 per acre.

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Finnan Haddies Have Arrived.
jan 29

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Ladies' Working Party

WILL HOLD A SALE OF WORK OF USEFUL Clothing and some Fancy Articles, at the

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL,

THURSDAY, Feb. 17, from 11 to 5.

Proceeds will be devoted to the Diocesan Mission Fund.
feb 14

The Ladies of Saanich will hold a

SOCIAL DANCE

Agricultural Hall, South Saanich,

ON FRIDAY, FEB. 25.

For the benefit of a Widow with seven young children. Admission $1. A cordial invitation is extended to all.
feb12 td

Political Meeting.

AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE VICTORIA Liberal Association will be held on

TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 15,

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK,

In building in rear of Mr. Deony's Store, entrance from Broad street. A full attendance is requested, as matters of importance will come up for discussion.

A. N. RICHARDS,
President V. L. A.
feb11 td

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Will be held as follows:

Victoria Theatre, Victoria, Wednesday, Feb. 16, 7.30 p.m.
Blue Ribbon Hall, Esquimalt, Thursday, Feb. 17, 7.30 p.m.
School House, Cedar Hill, Friday, Feb. 18, 7.30 p.m.
Rowland's, Burnside Road, Saturday, Feb. 19, 7.30 p.m.
Parson's Bridge, Monday Feb. 21, 1.30 p.m.
Peat's, Colwood, Tuesday, Feb. 22, 1.30 p.m.

When Messrs. Baker and Shakespeare will be pleased to meet the voters of the Electoral District for the Commons, to give an account of their stewardship, and to discuss the political issues of the day.

All candidates for the Commons are respectfully invited to be present.

BAKER AND SHAKESPEARE.

Thursday, Feb. 10th, 1887. feb11

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